

House Resolution No. 701

Whereas, it is with tremendous pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative actions in order to convey a hearty Show-Me State welcome to visitors to this great state; and

Whereas, F. Louis "Lou" Sulsberger of Flora, Illinois, has attained considerable distinction as the Grand Exalted Ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America, which consists of seventy-three lodges and more than 29,000 members; and

Whereas, from March 14 to March 16, 2008, the Missouri Elks Association will hold its Spring Business Meeting in Jefferson City, Missouri, which will be the location for a banquet that will honor Grand Exalted Ruler Lou Sulsberger; and

Whereas, born on April 24, 1952, Lou Sulsberger was the sixth of nine children whose mother died on Christmas Day in 1962--a family tragedy that ultimately resulted in the development of extremely strong bonds between all of the siblings and their relatives; and

Whereas, before graduating from high school, Lou Sulsberger mowed lawns, worked in a grocery store, and "rough necked" on his father's oil drilling rig; and

Whereas, after graduating from high school, Lou Sulsberger continued his education at Olney Central College before embarking on a series of jobs as an independent petroleum land man, as the owner of Lou-Lin-Company, Incorporated, and in the field of utility right-of-way work; and

Whereas, Lou Sulsberger realized that there was more to life than traveling around the midwestern United States, so after marriage to the former Elizabeth Marie Putbrese he changed careers and became involved with Flora Elks Lodge #1659; and

Whereas, Lou Sulsberger's leadership skills, knowledge, and experiences resulted in his rise through the chairs, service on many committees, and election to a series of ever-more-responsible offices at the local, district, state, and national levels until he finally became Grand Exalted Ruler in 2007:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and leadership achievements associated with the life and work of Grand Exalted Ruler Lou Sulsberger and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to F. Louis "Lou" Sulsberger of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Robinson
District No. 107

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 701, adopted February 19, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker